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By Mr. Fennell of Lynn, petition of Robert F. Fennell relative to further defining good cause for the purpose of non-renewal of contracts for educational administrators. Education.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

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### AN ACT RELATIVE TO DEFINING GOOD CAUSE FOR THE PURPOSE OF NON-RENEWAL OF CONTRACTS FOR EDUCATIONAL ADMINISTRATORS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Section 41 of chapter 71, as appearing in the 2000 Official Edi-  
2 tion of the Mass. General Laws is amended in paragraph three  
3 lines 29 to 3p by striking out the second sentence and inserting in  
4 place thereof the following three sentences:— A principal, assis-  
5 tant principal, department head or other supervisor who has served  
6 in that position for three consecutive years, and who has not been  
7 notified of non-renewal sixty-days prior to the end of the third  
8 consecutive year, shall not be dismissed or demoted except for  
9 good cause. Good cause shall include a description of the personal  
10 misconduct or professional deficiency or deficiencies which are  
11 the basis for the dismissal. The declaration that the principal's  
12 school is an underperforming school by the proper authorities  
13 shall satisfy this provision.